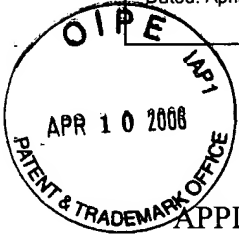


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated November 9, 2005. Reconsideration of the above-identified application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.